

# Dance Inspirations Competition Team Contract

## Junior Track

2024/2025 Season

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Dance Inspirations LLC reserves the right to add & change all requirements and policies, at will.

### I. REQUIREMENTS

#### A. AGE REQUIREMENTS

1. A Junior Dancer is a dancer who is in 1st Grade - 5th Grade during the upcoming school year
  - a) Junior 1 is a dancer who is joining the performance company for the first time,
  - b) Junior 2 has previous experience in our Inspired or Junior Performance Company OR competition experience elsewhere.

#### B. CLASS REQUIREMENTS

1. **Technique classes** - All classes are determined by placement and level
  - a) **Junior 1**
    - (1) Required to take a technique class you will be “specializing” in.
      - (a) Example: Tap dancers must take tap technique, Jazz dancers must take a form of jazz. All dancers have had these classes highlighted for them in their account
    - (2) Ballet is not required for Junior 1 but is highly recommended.
  - b) **Junior 2**
    - (1) Ballet Class is required and determined by placement
    - (2) Technique Classes - All Junior 2 dancers are required to take a technique class they will be “specializing” in. All dancers have had these classes highlighted for them in their account
      - (a) Elective classes are strongly encouraged
      - (b) Electives can include: Tap, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip-Hop, Acrodance, Musical Theater Jazz
  - c) **Rehearsals**
    - (1) Choreography will take place during longer rehearsal sessions.
    - (2) Rehearsals will then be scheduled as needed.
    - (3) This is in addition to your weekly classes.
    - (4) These rehearsals will take place when there is available studio time.
2. **Summer Training Requirements**
  - a) Required for Junior 2 and above.
    - (1) Dancers in this company must participate in a summer dance intensive or approved classes in July.
3. **Additional Special Dance Groupings**
  - a) Junior 1 & 2 dancers are dancers are eligible for additional special dances such as small or large groups, productions, etc. Junior 2 dancers are eligible for solos if deemed ready.

### II. PLACEMENT

- A. Placement on the Junior 1 and Junior 2 Team is by audition.
- B. We believe that everyone at this age should have the opportunity to participate in our performance company.
- C. If the performance company is not the right fit for a child we offer several other opportunities to shine.
- D. If we feel that a child is not ready for the performance company we will discuss this with the child’s family and only the child’s family.
- E. Dance Inspirations LLC reserves the right to add students to classes throughout the year.

### III. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL AGES

- A. It is very important for dancers to attend classes and rehearsals

1. Rehearsals are mandatory unless Brady Coskren has been notified (brady@danceinspirations.com) with 24 hour notice of the rehearsal schedule being released. If dancers are sick, they can attend rehearsals, unless you are throwing up or have a high fever.
  2. After 5 missed technique classes, dancers will be required to make up their classes.
    - a) Due to privacy, excused absences are at the discretion of the studio director only. Attendance is always discussed between teachers in private
- B.** Absences from classes the week of a performance/competition can result in dancers being unable to participate in said performance/competition
- C.** Dancer's lack of commitment can and will result in:
1. Dismissal from the team
  2. May impact placement in group dances
- D.** Dancers and their parents will receive a monthly attendance report to keep dancers aware of their personal commitment to the team.

#### IV. **PERFORMANCES OPPORTUNITIES**

##### **A. Parent Preview**

1. Typically held in February, this performance gives the dancers a chance to have a dress rehearsal before competitions, with a real audience. In addition, it gives you the chance to see all the dances and invite all your family, and friends. Tickets will be sold to audience members. This is mandatory. Weekend of February 14, 2025

##### **B. Competitions**

1. 3 Dance Competitions that will be held in the New England Area.
  - a) Accelerate Dance Experience (March 7-9, 2025) Derry, NH
  - b) Dance To Inspire (April 4-6, 2025) Derry, NH
  - c) Turn It Up Dance Challenge (May 9-11, 2025) Derry, NH

##### **C. Convention**

1. Junior 1 and Junior 2 Team Members will attend 1 Dance Convention/workshop.
  - a) Attendance is mandatory for these team members
  - b) January 31, 2025 - February 2, 2025
    - (1) Westin Copley Place – Boston, MA

##### **D. Spring Fling**

1. March (Date TBD)

##### **E. Elective Performance opportunities**

1. Holiday Show
2. Nationals (TBD)

#### V. **PARTICIPATION COSTS**

##### **A. Tuition**

1. Monthly tuition is determined by regular class load and Dance Inspirations tuition rates for the year.

##### **B. Performance Fee - per year broken into 10 or 12 payments.**

1. \$ 851.00 for the first dance
2. \$516.00 for the second dance
3. \$471.00 for each additional dance
  - a) These fees include
    - (1) 1 costume per dance
    - (2) A pair of performance tights
    - (3) Rehearsal fees
    - (4) Competition fees
    - (5) Spring Fling 2025 Fee
4. Solo, Duo & Trio Fees are additional
  - a) Solos

- (1) Competition fees are \$565.00 per dance
  - (a) [READ THIS LINK ABOUT SOLOS](#)
  - (b) These fees include
    - (i) Includes Costume
    - (ii) Competition Fees
    - (iii) LADM Convention Fee
  - (c) Additional Tuition fees of - \$35.00 for each 30-minute rehearsal
- b) Duos & Trios
  - (1) Competition fees are \$355.00 per dancer / per dance
    - (a) These fees include
      - (i) Includes Costume
      - (ii) Competition fees
    - (b) Additional Tuition fees of - \$35.00 for each 30-minute rehearsal are split between each dancer.

**VI. Early Termination**

**A.** If dancers choose to quit after November 1st, families are still required to pay monthly tuition through June 2024 as well as all Competition fees.

**VII. Additional Fees**

- 1. Make-up & Accessories
  - a) Each dancer is required to purchase a pair of earrings. They cost approximately \$13-\$15.
  - b) Basic make-up - same as recital requirements. Make-up kits available for purchase at DI
- 2. Team Warm-Ups
  - a) Optional Dance Inspirations Performance Company warm-ups will be available for purchase.

## **Dance Inspirations Competition Policies & Information**

Parents are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship! Children copy the behaviors they see even at older ages. Discussing other dancer's issues is not acceptable as many times there are matters that have already been discussed with the staff. If a parent or child has any concerns or comments they should see Carolyn to discuss it.

\_\_\_ Parent initials  
\_\_\_ dancer's initials

This form must be signed and returned within 7 days to hold your spot on the competition team.

I have read and understand all and regulations of the Dance Inspirations LLC and the Dance Inspirations Competition Team

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dancers Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

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